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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

It is requested that the enclosed reference(s) listed on the attached Information Disclosure Citation Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Patent Examiner in connection with the above-identified application and be made of record therein.

The first ten references identified in the attached PTO Form 1449B and enclosed are Grinnell horizontal sidewall sprinklers utilizing deflectors that embody the design concept shown by Fischer U.S. Patent No. 4,296,816, already of record in this application, as well as all other Grinnell extended coverage type sidewall sprinklers. Grinnell owns both the Fischer patent and the cited Tramm U.S. Patent No. 5,810,263. The next six catalog sheets include other standard coverage, horizontal sidewall sprinklers produced by Grinnell, which are rated for ordinary hazard protection. The last five catalog sheets include the ordinary hazard, standard coverage and light hazard, extended coverage sidewall sprinklers of Central Sprinkler.

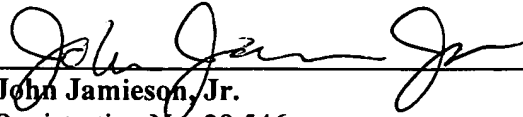
Independent consideration and acknowledgment of the enclosed reference(s) are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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